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## **NEWS RELEASE**

The International Bridge Administration today announced that one-way traffic crossings of the International Bridge at Sault Ste. Marie totaled 134,448 for the month of November, 2003. This represents a decrease of 8.51% as compared to November, 2002.

Traffic statistics for the month are as follows:

Vehicle Classification	One-Way Crossings	Percent of Inc/Dec. From 11 /02	Percent of Total Crossings
Full-Fare Passenger Cars:	62,564	-9.5%	46.5%
Commuter Fare:	59,887	-8.8%	44.5%
Car Pulling Trailers	2,088	-7.6%	1.6%
Commercial Trucks:	9,909	-0.4%	7.4%
Totals:	134,448		100%

Traffic for calendar year 2003 has totaled 1,762,016 vehicles; this represents a decrease of 9% as compared to 2002. Since the bridge opened in 1962, over 74,997,000 vehicles have crossed the structure. Congratulations to Bruce and Barbara Mapes of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan for helping the International Bridge reach its 75 millionth crossing on December 1, 2003 at 8:20 a.m.

Sincerely,

**International Bridge Administration** 

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